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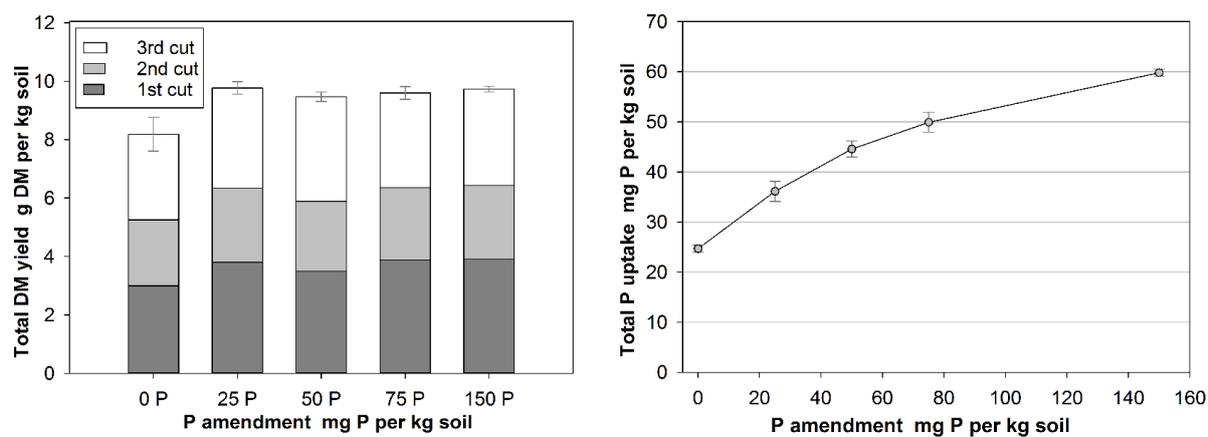
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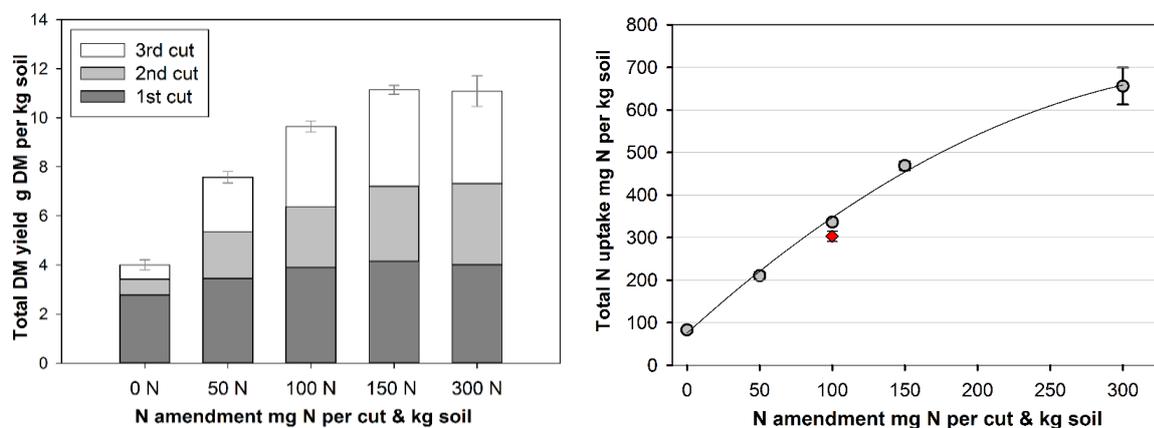
**Plant uptake of phosphorus and nitrogen recycled from synthetic source-separated urine**

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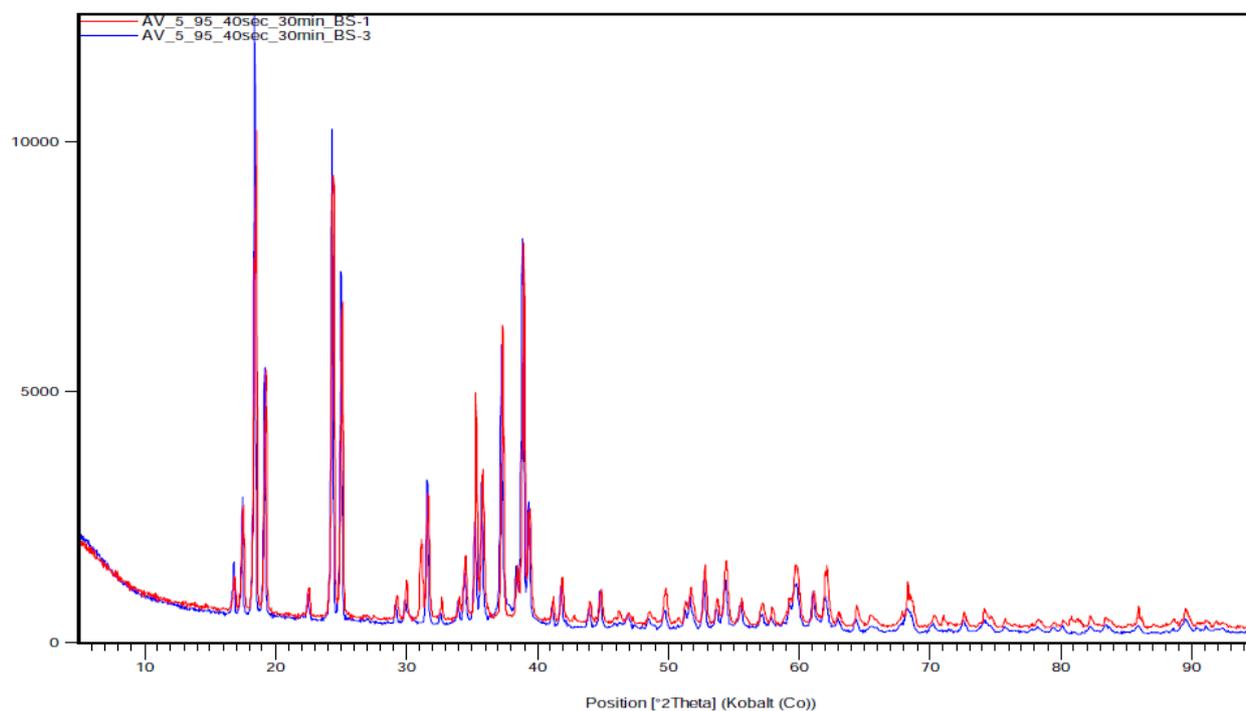
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**Fig. S1** (Left) Total DM production of Italian ryegrass shoots in treatments with different levels of P fertilisation (P response curve). All treatments received 100 mg N kg<sup>-1</sup> soil at the start of the experiment and after each cut. (Right) Total P uptake by Italian ryegrass shoots in the same treatments. Vertical bars indicate standard deviations.



**Fig. S2** (Left) Total dry matter (DM) production of Italian ryegrass shoots in treatments with different levels of N fertilisation (N response curve). All treatments apart from 100N (75 mg P) received 50 mg P kg<sup>-1</sup> soil at the start of the experiment. (Right) Total N uptake of Italian ryegrass shoots of these same treatments. Treatment 1N1P (red diamond) is below the N uptake response curve, confirming the suspicion that it received an erroneous N dose at sowing. Vertical bars indicate standard deviations



**Fig. S3** Qualitative comparison of synthetic struvite used in this experiment (red curve) and struvite processed from real human urine taken from the men's tank at a research institution (blue curve). Matching peak height, width and area suggest that the elemental composition and crystal structure of the two struvites are similar

**Table S1** Dry matter (DM) content, total P and N concentration and solubility in water of fertilisers processed from real human urine taken from the urinal tank at a research institution. NUF = nitrified urine fertiliser

Fertiliser	DM content	Total N	Total P	Solubility of elements in H <sub>2</sub> O	
				* % of total N	* % of total P
Real human urine struvite	88	51	120	2.1	2
Real human urine NUF	94	191	20	93	57

\*Water-soluble phosphate, ammonia and nitrate ions determined in product suspensions (2.5 g fertiliser per 250 mL water). Method from European Parliament (2003).